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Dear Commissioner:

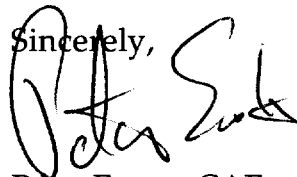
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On behalf of the Virginia Association of Broadcasters and its radio members, I want to voice our strong opposition to Microradio.

Our members feel that dropping in low power FM stations will create significant interference problems that will particularly affect the reception on car radios and less expensive radios so common in people's homes, especially battery-powered portable radios.

We also feel that Microradio will complicate the matter of moving from analog to digital broadcasting.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Peter Easter, CAE
Executive Director

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